DYNAMITE STICKS, WITH FUSES, FOUND AT ACKER BUILDING.

Enough, if Exploded, to Displace Eight Tons of Rock-Members of Parks's Gang Suspected - Buildings to Be Guarded—Dynamite Used on Tabernacle

Enough dynamite, if properly used, to displace eight or nine tons of rock and work a great amount of damage, was found vesterday morning in a pile of tiles at the new Acker, Merrall & Condit building in West Forty-third street, where an explosion on Sunday morning partly wrecked a hoisting engine used by the iron workers.

Evidence was also discovered that there had been an explosion in the Broadway Tabernacle building at Fifty-sixth street and Broadway, where an attempt had been made to blow up one of the main supports of the building.

The executive committee of the Iron League met yesterday and offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the persons responsible for the exposions. The police are convinced that the explosions were the result of a prearranged plan on the part of some one in the Sam Parks gang to cripple work on the buildings. which are being put up by members of the Employers' Association and, if possible, throw a scare" into the members of the New York Housesmiths' Union who have taken the places of the Sam Parks crowd. At all the buildings being put up by members of the Employers' Association police were stationed yesterday and they will he kent there at night in the future to prevent any more dynamiting. Private detectives have been employed by the Employers' Association and they will be kept on duty at the new buildings night and day.

Two sticks of dynamite were found under a pile of fireproof brick tiles in the street in front of the new Acker, Merrall & Condit building. The sticks were 8 inches long, 3 Inches in diameter and weighed a pound each. They were in the centre of a pile about five feet high and were found by two workmen, Timothy Minogue and James Sullivan, who had been carrying the tiles into the building.

They saw two fuses sticking up from between two bricks and at once suspected dynamite. They carefully removed the bricks and, after calling the foreman and the other workmen, lifted out the sticks of dynamite.

Policeman Donnelly of the Tenderloin station was on duty at the building and he took the dynamite to the Bureau of Combustibles at Fire Headquarters. He was afraid to put the sticks in his pocket and all the way uptown in an Eighth avenue car carried them in his hands. Two men began to talk dynamite and some women in the car were badly frightened until Donnelly got off at Fifty-ninth street.

Supt. Murray of the Bureau of Combustibles found that to each stick of dynamite was attached a fuse four and a half yards long and a fulminating cap. The dynamite was frozen, showing that it had been in the pile of bricks at least over night. "It's dynamite all right—the kind used

for blasting purposes," said Supt. Murray. *Each stick contains about 40 per cent. of nitroglycerine. A match touched to the fuse and there would be a terrific explosion." Supt. Milward, who is in charge of the work on the Acker, Merrall & Condit building, said that the dynamite couldn't have bricks more than two days. The bricks, he said, were brought to the building on Friday and were piled on the street because there wasn't room on the floor of the building for them.

"I have no doubt," he said, "that the dynamite was put there by some member of the old Sam Parks gang. I have had some trouble with them, principally because I wouldn't employ them, as I am a member of the Employers' Association. I don't think that the attack was directed against me personally, but because I am a member of the Employers' Association.

'It is evident that the persons who are deing this don't know much about the use of dynamite. For instance, if the dynanite had been placed under the boiler of the hoist engine instead of near it, the engine would have been wrecked. As it was, we were able to repair it this morning, and now we are using it. Several of the Parks men were around here to-day and I refused to talk to them. There were some good men among them, but there are others that ne decent man would employ. I told these fellows this morning that I would have nothing to do with them after what happened here yesterday and this morning."

An investigation yesterday morning showed that the explosion in the Tabernacle building had been at the base of one of the iron columns supporting one of the towers. Charles A. Cowen, the contractor; Supt. Allardice, in charge of the work on the building, and Capt. Handy of the West Forty-seventh street station declared that the explosive used could have been reach the explosive used could have been noth-ing else than dynamite.

The dynamite had been placed and,

apparently, tied under one of the cross beams close to where it had been riveted to one of the main upright columns. About six inches of the flange on the cross beam was ripped away from where it joined the upright and some terra cotta was charred by the explosion. Although the flange on the cross beam is not very thick, it is not believed that a fulminating cap would have been powerful enough to tear off a

have been powerful enough to tear off a strip six inches long.

"The viciousness of the person who caused the explosion," said Mr. Cowen, the contractor, "is apparent from the fact that it occurred at the foot of one of the big towers and might have weakened the whole structure. The force of the explosion was slight because the dwenty to the fact that it occurred at the dwenty of the explosion was slight.

There is no doubt in my mind that this is the work of some member of Sam Parks's old union. Some of them are looking for fight and not for work. Only a few nights ago one of my foremen, Louis Schmidt, was attacked as he was going into his own house and struck on the head with a club. He was picked up unconscious and the doctors worked over him all night. And that is not the only case. During one strike one of the engine boilers was filled with kerosene and if it hadn't been discovered in time there would have been an explosion."

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Central Office men and precinct detectives were thick yesterday around the buildings where the explosions occurred. Inspector McClusky said last night that he had several clues, but that he wasn't prepared to tell what they are. The detectives examined a number of men who have been training with the Paple county.

been training with the Parks crowd.

Five policemen in uniform and four Pinkerton detectives were on duty at the new Acker, Merrall & Condit building. Capt. Handy was at the building early in the morning and he found several men hanging around. One of them a plasterer. hanging around. One of them, a plasterer, had a bundle of working clothes, and the aptain examined them before he drove

The captain was also told that Joseph Reebe, the engineer of the hoist engine, had seen three members of the old Parks

union in the building on Saturday. Supt. Milward said that he didn't suspect these men. He said that he knew who they were, and that they came to him to get a recommendation so that they could get into the new union. He gave them the recommendation, he said, because they were good men.

day afternoon. Chairman Crowley of the strike committee of the old union said that of course the men in his union would be blamed for any acts of violence, but he was sure that they had nothing to do with the explosions.

association would take about the dyna-miting, its representative, Leonard K.

"We are supplying private detectives for every important job, and they will remain on duty at night. These fire-crackers at night are not going to worry us. The men are not frightened. They are not the kind of men to frighten easily, and as this is a dull season there are two men for every job. Considering the attempts to harm us, the amount of damage done is amazingly small."

C. E. Cheney of the Iron League said that over 700 men from Parks's old union had applied for jobs since last Monday. He said that all of them couldn't get cards in the new union and some of them had used threatening language.

"I wouldn't be surprised" he said "if

them had used threatening language.

"I wouldn't be surprised," he said, "if some of those who were turned down are responsible for the dynamite outrages."

ROOT WON'T RUN 1904 CAMPAIGN. President Said to Want Him for National

on June 21.

The Republicans who say that the President has given up hope of inducing Mr. Hanna to conduct the national battle in 1904 are competent to speak, and they say also that the President would like to have Elihu Root succeed Mr. Hanna as national chairman. Secretary Root, it is understood, is to retire from the President's Cabinet about Febuary 1. The President's friends, in telling about the President's desire to have his Secretary of War conduct the national battle next year, assume that the President is certain that

The President and Secretary Root have een warm personal and political friends from the early '80s, when the President and Mr. Root participated in the Republican politics of the old Twenty-first or Diamondback district, and when the

cumstances could he be induced to accept the place of chairman of the Republican national committee.

DALY MADE POLICE CAPTAIN.

the last captain who will be "made" during the present administration when he promoted yesterday Sergt. John Daly of the East Thirty-fifth street station and sent him to the Union Market station. The promotion is regarded both in and

out of the Police Department as a merited one, as Daly's name has headed the eligible

isso. He was made a roundsman in 1891, and a sergeant during the Rooseveltregime, in 1896. Much of his training was received in the Tenderloin precinct. His mettle got a thorough trial last summer when he was sent to the West Forty-seventh street station as acting captain after the suspension of Capt. Dillon. During the three months he was there the excise cases reported weekly were generally in excess of those in any other precinct.

When Capt. Shire of the East Thirty-fifth street station was nearly killed in a street car accident, in September, Capt. Daly was put in command of the precinct,

Daly was put in command of the precinct, and his zeal in enforcing the excise laws has made the Twenty-first precinct recog-nized as the cleanest in New York.

DEATH OF COUNT ULRICH.

ROME, N. Y., Dec. 14 .- Hiding from the law of his country because he had avenged. with the death of a prominent man, an insult to his sister, Paul Ulrich, a German Count, died suddenly and unattended to-day in his apartments in Dooley's Hotel in Taberg, Oneida county. He was 55 years

which he killed a man who had spoken slightingly of his sister, Miss Pauline Ulrich, an actress in the King's Court at Dresden. One year later he appeared at Taberg, and from that time he had posed as a music teacher. He spoke English fluently, but he was seldom communicative, and his acquaintances were few. The mystery surrounding him was not penetrated by the villagers until after his death. Papers which he left revealed his identity.

Count Ulrich was an excellent musician,

Count Ulrich was an excellent musician and he was constantly with his piano and violin. The apartments he occupied in the hotel were richly furnished, but very little money was found. A cablegram

Cold Cars All Winter, Probably

There were many complaints yesterday over the freezing temperature to which the passengers both in the surface and elevated cars in Brooklyn were exposed, and Vice-President Calderwood of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company regretted that they were well founded. He explained that they were well founded. He explained that almost the entire available power was required to run the cars and that the increased demands in this respect during Christmas week would compel them to let the cars go totally unheated. Nor could Mr. Calderwood hold out much hope of any improvement during the winter.

Scaboard Air Line Railway, commencing to day, will operate through sleeping cars, Washington to Pinehurst, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, Leave New York 12:55 Noon, arrive Pinehurst 7:15 A. M. Write office, 1183 B.way, for all information.

HE KNEW BELLAIRS'S RECORD.

WOOD SAVED HIM FROM EX-POSURE IN HAVANA "POST."

He Was Told That Bellairs Had Been a Convict in Florida and That He Had Committed Unspeakable Crimes in Cuba-No Account Kept of a Big Fund.

L. O. La Fontisse of Jacksonville, Fla. upon his previous testimony. Mr. Morrison's testimony related to a claim of \$8,722 against the military government which has never been paid.

In 1900 Fisher was managing editor and La Fontisse city editor of the Havana Post. Bellairs was then correspondent of the Associated Press at Havana and a valiant champion of Gen. Wood. They were intimate friends, and had been since Bellairs at Santiago proposed a toast to "The next Governor of Cuba."

One of the charges brought by Major Estes G. Rathbone against Gen. Wood is that Wood knew the criminal record of Bellairs, and that in spite of this knowledge he publicly consorted with him and used his influence to prevent Bellairs from being discharged by the Associated Press, Bellairs in the meantime employing his energies to advertise Gen. Wood through the Associated Press.

La Fontisse testified to-day that in May, 1900, he ran across one Johnston at Havana, whom he had known in Florida. Johnston had served time in Florida for homicide, but had been pardoned. Early in 1900 Johnston had attended a race at Havana, and glancing up into the grandstand he saw Bellairs sitting beside his friend Gen. Wood. Johnston recognized Bellairs as the convict Cheriton, who had served in the same prison camp with him in Alachua county. Fla. "Well. I'll be damned, if there ain't my old friend Cheriton," ex-claimed Johnston. Bellairs overheard the remark and made a warning motion to Johnston. They met under the grand stand, remark and made a warning motion to Johnston. They met under the grand stand, and after that time so long as Johnston was in Havana he drew \$10 or \$12 a week from his old friend Cheriton.

Johnston told this to La Fontisse in May, 1900, and La Fontisse began an investigation on his own account into Bellairs's record. It was intended to average [2]

gation on his own account into Bellairs's record. It was intended to expose Bellairs in the Post. Rumors of incredible depravity on Bellairs's part, involving the commission of unspeakable crimes, were in circulation at Havana, and La Fontisse found three Cuban boys who told how Bellairs had wronged them.

During the next month, according to La Fontisse's testimony, Gen. Wood drew La Fontisse aside in the palace at Havana and questioned him concerning the rumors

La Fontisse aside in the palace at Havana and questioned him concerning the rumors of Bellaira's former prison record and his depravity in Cuba. La Fontisse told Gen. Wood all he knew, and mentioned Johnston, the former convict, who had recognized Bellairs. Gen. Wood thereupon advised La Fontisse to see Johnston and offer him, in Gen. Wood's behalf, free transportation to his former home in Florida by way of New York. La Fontisse did this, but Johnston refused to leave Cuba.

Johnston told La Fontisse that Bellairs had been discovered while in prison camp in the commission of an infamous crime and had been flogged. This information was also conveyed to Gen. Wood. Gen.

knowledge in 1900 of Beliairs's criminal record and related how he and Gen. Wood had discussed Beliairs's record and crimi-nal practices at that time. Fisher was

three boys who were ready to testify against Bellairs. Fisher had given orders to his assistant, La Pontisse, to gather the ma-

that he had not. "Well, for God's eske, don't do it," said Fisher. "Gen. Wood would not have that published for the world." Accordingly there was nothing published in Havana regarding Bellairs's record, though the facts were generally known and talked about.

L. J. Morrison, who is a lawyer at 44 Broadway, New York, testified that he represented clients who had sold a disinfecting material to the military government, and that a balance of \$8,722 was due. He was advised to send a receipt for the amount

It was said that a fund of \$100,000 had been reserved to pay outstanding claims, but Mr. Morrison told the committee that he had never been able to get his money, though he had written many times to Gen. Wood and had instituted inquiries to discover what had become of the \$100,000. Apparently no account was ever kept of that fund. Cuban officials had informed Mr. Morrison that not only was no fund in sight with which to pay for contracts outstanding when Gen. Wood left Cuba, but that "for very shape" the Cuban Government had paid out \$30,000 to claimants who pre-

sented bona fide bills. Mr. Merrison charged Gen. Wood with gross negligence in the conduct of busi-ness, and added that he had applied to

the committee to-day to summon Gen. Wood from the Philippines to answer the serious charges that have been so strongly substantiated before the committee. The substantiated before the committee. The committee took the request under consideration. It is understood that Major James E. Runcie will be recalled to testify further regarding his charge that Gen. Wood inspired the article in the North American Review attacking Gen. Brooke.

Secretary Root made public to-day a letter which he has sent to Senator Proctor of the Senator Milliany Committee englishing. letter which he has sent to Senator Proctor of the Senate Military Committee, enclosing a letter from Brig.-Gen. Bliss taking exception to the printed reports of his testimony in the Wood inquiry. Secretary Root says some person seems to be furnishing to the press persistently false statements of the evidence taken before the

case to the prejudice of Gen. Wood. Gen. Bliss, in his letter, recalls that he was examined regarding the examination of a package containing articles intended for Gen. Wood. He says:

THEY BEAT HER DOWN IN STORE

in the army within a year after the war closed and a list of the Colonels during the same period. It is said to be Secretary Root's purpose

to show that there were many Majors, Lieutenant-Colonels and Colonels who were promoted to the grade of Brigadier-General and that other officers besides Gen. Wood have been jumped rapidly to the front, but in each instance for meritorious service. Secretary Root has been called upon by the cornittee to submit a statement show. the committee to submit a statement showing the number of officers now in the army who have had civil war experience.

NINE CONVICTS GET AWAY. Big Jail Breaking Accomplished Under the Noses of the Guards.

wore striped suits.

They were occupants of the third tier at he prison. At the end is a big washroom with one small window looking out over the Holmesburg racetrack. In it the convicts assemble every morning after the wake up" whistle.

A few minutes after this whistle had sounded one of the guards noticed, that Siften was missing. A glance at the washroom showed that a bar was gone from the window. A glance showed misty figures disappearing over the racetrack.

Mounted police and prison guards joined in the hunt. Not one of the fugitives has been captured. The work of cutting the bar had taken several days. A rough saw had been made

out of a butcher knife. The cuts in the bar

iron filings. The removal of the bar left an aperture only twenty inches wide. Through this the men squeezed, dropping twenty-five feet to the ground. They then scaled a picket fence ten feet high guarded by

MINE OWNERS SUE A UNION. Demand \$250,000 for Damages Sustained

as a Result of a Strike. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14 .- The stock holders of the Royal Consolidated Mining Company to-day filed suit against the Independence Miners' Union of Milton, Calaveras county, for \$250,000 damages, because of the strike which this union caused at the mine.

last September, although relations between friendly, and that in Navambar a strike was declared by the union because a miner abolish the party column on the ballot, was discharged for incompetency. The company attempted to import miners, but these were driven out by an armed mobiled by union men. One miner was let be about the proposition to submit to the people the proposition to elect Members of Assembly for two years, to make the term of the Mayor four years and the excise problem were discussed. It was decided to send all these matters to badly hurt, much property was destroyed and the mine manager's life was threatened. So great was the terror caused that the mine had to shut down, entailing great loss, as it is filling with water.

The company not only claims damages, strikers from interfering with the mine or its workmen. The case will be heard on Jan. 4, and meanwhile the United States Circuit Court has granted a temporary

restraining order.

Congressmen Sullivan and Sulzer May Buy Celumbia Hall at Lebauen Sorings.

CHATHAM, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Tim Sullivan, accompanied by Congressman Sulzer, Senator Grady and former Congressman Charles D. Haines, went to Lebanon Springs to-day to make an inspection of the well known and one time famous summer resort known as Columbia Hall, and it was said that they have decided to purchase the same. The property is controlled by Thomas Coolidge of New York and former Congressman Haines owns an interest in it. Their plan is to renovate and remodel the building, which is an immense structure in which 400 guests can be accommodated. They also intend to build a race-track near the hotel. As one member of the party said, the place is to be made a second Sarators.

the homestead of the late Samuel J. Tilden the homestead of the late Samuel J. Tilden and is not a great distance from it. In former years it enjoyed an almost national reputation as a summer resort. Of late the place has been losing its prestige and popularity, and for some years has not been open to the public. The party returned to New York this afternoon.

TORPEDO BOATS IN A GALE.

boat flotilla, commanded by Lieut. Lloyd H. Chandler, arrived at Port Royal, S. C. to-day, and Capt. C. J. Train, president of the Naval Board of Inspection and Survey. who, with other members of the board, acompanied the flotilla on the cruiser Baltimore, telegraphed the Navy Department that the little vessels had proved their ability to stand the long voyage to Manila.

Capt. Train said that the flotilla encountered heavy weather for about twalve.

tered heavy weather for about twelve hours off Cape Lookout. There was a south-east gale, with a heavy sea, but the five vessels easily maintained a speed of from ten to twelve knots against the sea without damage.

"Board considers result of trip," said
Capt. Train, "conclusively proves flotilla
seaworthy for cruise to Manila."

All Deerfoot Farm Sausages are made at the Farm, in Southboro, Mass. Their success is owing to the choice materials and the neatness and cleanliness of the preparation.—Adr.

THEY BEAT HER DOWN IN STORE, BIND, DRUG AND ROB HER.

Reserves of Fulton Street Station, Brooks lyn, Out in Plain Clothes With Central Office Men After Robbers-They Got Only \$12, but Expected More.

At midnight last night the entire reserve force of the Fulton street police station in Brooklyn and a score of Central Office detectives were scouring the lower section of Brooklyn for three men who beat, chloroformed, bound and robbed Mrs. Ella Robinson in her Intle newspaper and candy store at 119 Jay street. According to Mrs. Robinson, she was

sitting beside the stove in the little store at 9 o'clock last evening when three men entered. One was tall and had no overcoat. The others were short and wore overcoats. All were rough looking. Mrs. Robinson supposed that they were

prospective customers and started to go behind the counter. Then, she says, the tall man seized her, struck her in the face with his fists and threw her down. The three then tied her hands behind her back and she says that they chloroformed her. Just an hour later she was found, just returning to consciousness, by Julius Heidelman, who runs a butcher shop next door. He knew that she usually closed up at 9 o'clock, and, seeing her store lighted at 10 clock, thought that something was wrong. When Mrs. Robinson got up from the floor she and Heidelman made a search

of the store and her little home back of it. of the store and her little home back of it. Her living rooms had been turned upside down and \$10 had been taken from a sewing machine 'drawer. The thieves also got about \$2 from her cash drawer.

Mrs. Robinson is said to own the building at 119 Jay street, and it is thought likely that the thieves expected to find more money than they got. She is a widow and lives alone.

Beidelman ran over to the Fulton street heidelman ran over to the Fulton street police station and told Capt. Condon about the robbery. He turned out all his reserves in plain clothes, sending some of them to the ferries and others to the saloons and resorts in the neighborhood. Central Office men swarmed around and everybody who was near the store at midnight and thereabouterwas held up and questioned who was hear the store at midnight and thereabouts was held up and questioned. The police found one man who thinks that he saw the three men going to and from Mrs. Rebinson's store. He is William Denley of ! Bridge street. He says that he was talking to his sweetheart in front of her house at 57 Tolman street, nearby, when three men answering the description Mrs. Robinson gives of her assailants passed by from Bridge street. In fifteen minutes

they came back, apparently in a great hurry. Mrs. Robinson's eyes were badly blacked by her tall assailant, her face was cut and her wrists were lacerated by the rope used to tie them. She was attended by Dr. Aitken of the Brooklyn Hospital, but remained at the store.

C. U. REELECTS CUTTING.

He Says It's Very Much Alive and Proposes to Be in the Ring in 1905.

R. Fulton Cutting was reelected chairman of the city committee of the Citizens' Union,at the annual meeting held last night at 34 Union Square East. As vice-presidents the committee named A. S. Haight from Kings, A. M. Harris from Richmond, Fielding M. Marshal from The Bronx and Foster Crowell from Queens, Isaac N. Seligman was reelected treasurer and John J. Murphy secretary.

After the election a protracted discussion until close to midnight. Propositions to the committee on legislation, which Chairman Cutting will appoint. Mr. Cutting announced his reelection,

man Cutting will appoint.

Mr. Cutting announced his reelection, saying:

The Citizens' Union has again chosen me its president and while I should have greatly preferred to have had an experience in the ranks, I am enlisted for the war in any capacity my associates desire.

If the condition of the Citizens' Union is any indication of the strength of the non-partisan cause, we have every reason to be encouraged. I do not know of the defection of a single-member of the organization and the city committee as it is to-day made up is the strongest body we have had since 1887.

At no time during the past five years have we found such readiness to serve as delegates on the part of the men whom we most wanted. Moreover, the union has now fairly demonstrated its sincerity of purpose and its permanence as a factor in municipal politics. I do not regard the last campaign as a blow to the non-partisan principle. It is evident that causes other than mere partisanship decided the issue, although the imminence of the coming national election doubtless influenced some Democrats to vote against a fusion ticket headed by a Republican.

However, we are teachable and propose to learn something from our defeat. If in 1995 we are not equal to the occasion it will not be because of unwillingness to grasp some plain facts. Whatever criticism may be made of Mr. Low's administration, I believe he has rendered the cause of non-partisan government inestimable service. He has demonstrated its possibilities and that must be reckoned with hereafter.

GREENE HAS A NEW JOB. To Take Charge of a Niagara Power Plant -He'll Live in Buffalo.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 14 .- It is announced here to-day that Gen. Francis V. Greene will become a resident of Buffalo when he retires as New York's Police Commissioner on Jan 1. He has accepted an offer to take charge of the Ontario Power Company now being built in Canada opposite Niagara Falls, and will make his home in this city.

Commissioner Greene said vesterday that his future home will be in Buffalo and that he will be in business in that city. He added that he didn't expect the public to be interested in his private

CENTRAL TRAIN WRECKED. It Ran Into a Train of Empty Cars on Siding at Lindley, Near Corning.

CORNING, N. Y., Dec 14.—Passenger train No. 3 on the Pennsylvania division of the New York Central was wrecked at of the New York Central was wrecked at Lindley, seven miles south of here, to-night. The train ran into a train of empty cars on a siding, which an operator forgot to notify the conductor about. Engineer George Harris and Fireman Daniel Gabrielle were injured by jumping from their engine. Brakeman Edward Dowling was caught between cars and was badly injured. The passengers escaped with only a shaking up. The engine and cars are badly wrecked. The engine and cars are badly wrecked.

To Help Mexico Fight Yellow Fever. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14.-The United States will cooperate with the Republic of Mexico to get rid of yellow fever in the Mexico to get rid of yellow fever in the Mexicon ports on the Gulf, especially Vera Cruz and Tampico. This statement is made by E. M. Gouley, United States Vice-Consul at the City of Mexico. The work will be in the hands of the United States Marine Hospital Service and the Public Health Bureau. The necessary bill will be introduced in Congress at the present seession.

WHERE IS CAPT. W. T. PORTER? Ship Indrawadi Leaves Without Him, as He

Cannot Be Found The entire police force of this city is looking for William T. Porter, a steamship captain, who is strangely missing. Capt. Porter is the commander of the ship Indrawadi of the China and Japan Line. His disappearance was reported by Funch, Edye & Co., the agents of the line, whose

offices are at 8 and 10 Bridge street. The ship was to have sailed Saturday morning. Capt. Porter slept aboard of her Friday night at the Atlantic dock, Brooklyn, but when it came time to sail he was missing and no trace of him could be found. The ship did not sail until yesterday, and then she went out in charge

of the first officer. At the offices of the agents it was said esterday that no reason could be given for the captain's disappearance. His accounts, they said, were all right. Capt Porter is 38 years old and his home is in Liverpool.

CONFESSED TO FREE A WOMAN. She Was on Trial for Arson When the Fire-

bug Owned Up. ATTLEBORO, Mass., Dec. 14.—Philip Heitchman, a hostler, confessed to-day that he set fire to the Salamon Hospital several days ago. Mrs. Margaret Giles, a cook employed at the hospital, was under arrest charged with the crime and the firebug's confession freed her. The hospital barn was set on fire last night and it was shortly after the discovery of this fire that

Heitchman was arrested. Heitchman's confession was made while Mrs. Giles's trial for arson was on. He said that he was subject to epileptic fits and while in one of them was likely to do anything.

In ordering the discharge of Mrs. Giles, Judge Byham said that he would have discharged her in any event on the evilence presented at the trial.

GIRL BORN IN AMBULANCE. lother Had the Child Named Before She Got to the Hospital.

A call was received at Hudson street hospital late yesterday afternoon for an ambuance to go to 398 Water street. When the doctor got there he found Mrs. McVilla about to become a mother, but as there appeared to be ample time he had her ifted into the ambulance to be taken to the hospital.

On the way a girl was born. It was a very healthy baby, and the mother named it on the spot. The doctor filled out his hospital blank in this way: Patient's name, Babina McVilla; age, 7 minutes; occupation, intruder; disease,

PLAGIARIST AT YALE.

Story Writer Says He Took Maurice Hewlett's Plot Unconsciously. NEW HAVEN, Dec. 14 .- Chaunesy C. Kennedy of Orange, N. J., in a signed statement to the Yale Daily News to-day admits that a story of his written in competition for the Yale Literary Magazine last year, entitled "The Will of God," was a plagiarism of Maurice H. Hewlett's "Servus Servorum" in "Earthwork Out of Tuscany."

Kennedy says that when his attention was called to Mr. Hewlett's book he remembered that he had read it several months before he wrote the story. He says that he unconsciously copied the plot and style of Mr. Hewlett's work.

BITTER COLD IN THE WEST. Forty-four Below Zero Reported From

White River, Ontario. CHICAGO, Dec. 14.-The forecast for the next thirty-six hours indicates a gradual moderation in the temperature, but the cold wave will linger for a few days. The centre of the storm to-day appears to be along the north shore of Lake Superior and Lake Huron.

At Port Arthur, which is directly across Lake Superior from Houghton, Mich., it was 20 below zero, and at White River, on the Canadian Pacific, 100 miles to the east,

t was 44 degrees below. Cities in the West, from which the storm came, show a marked rise of temperature, normal readings being reported in Denver, Omaha, Kansas City and other

Zero Weather Up the State.

SARATOGA, Dec. 14.-The mercury did some long tumbling here inside of twentyfour hours. Yesterday morning while a rain storm was in progress it registered Leonard Courtney, in place of the Right Hon. 45 degrees above zero. The zero line was reached at daybreak to-day and the weather threatens to increase in freezing severity

PENN. TUNNEL BIDS

To Be Received To-day-Six Bids on River

Work Expected. Proposals for building the Pennsylvania unnels from Jersey to Long Island will be received to-day at the main offices of the company in this city, at Broadway and edar street. The bids will not be opened publicly. As the work is divided into several sections and the bidding is not in the lump it will be some days before the cost by sections and in the entirety will be known. It was said last night that probably six bids would be put in on the river part of the work, which is the most difficult.

NORDICA HASN'T WITHDRAWN.

Denial From Her Husband's Lawyer That She Has Stopped Her Divorce Suit. Edward Lauterbach told a Sun reporter yesterday that there was no foundation for report that Mme. Nordica had withdrawn

the proceedings for divorce against her husband, Zoltan Doeme.

"I am Mr. Doeme's attorney," said Mr. Lauterbach, "and there is no ground for such a story. The pleadings have been served and I suppose that the case will be tried in the usual way."

Ex-Police Captain and Family Poisoned Ex-Police Captain John W. England, his wife, his son Edward and the latter's wife were all poisoned on Saturday night by sardines they ate at their home, 1352 Chisholm street, in The Bronx. The cap-tain's wife and her daughter-in-law were in a critical condition until yesterday, but are now out of danger. England and his son were only slightly sick.

The Tammany speculators got word from Washington last night that Leader Murphy would be home to-morrow and that Mayor-elect McClellan might be expected Thursday or Friday. He will be here for the opening of the new bridge and for the dinner to Comptroller Grout at the Hoffman House on Saturday night.

DOUBT AS TO RUSSIA'S REPLY.

NOT BELIEVED TO HAVE MET ALL OF JAPAN'S DEMANDS.

Report of an Agreement to Employ Russian Officers in Corean Army-Uneasiness in Russia Over Our Atti-

tude Regarding Manchurian Reports. Special Cable Despatches to THE SUE. LONDON, Dec. 14 .- The British Foreign ffice has received Russia's reply to Japan n regard to affairs in the Far East. Baron Hayashi, the Japanese Minister to Great Britain, says that it is in such form as to strengthen his belief that peace will remain

unbroken. LONDON, Dec. 15 .- Unofficial reports as to the tenor of Russia's reply to Japan displaya pessimistic tendency. Telegrams from Tokio record the belief of well informed Japanese politicians that, although it makes some concessions, there is a wide difference between the reply and the pacific assurances given out at St. Petersburg and that it is far short of complying with Japan's demands. The prolongation of the negotiations necessitated by the reply causes an undercurrent of uneasiness, although the hope of a peaceful settlement

is not diminished. The Morning Post says it learns from official sources in London that the reply is unsatisfactory. The paper says it is not to be assumed that the reply will terminate the negotiations. Nevertheless, the Post deprecates anticipation of a disagreeable

A despatch to the Daily Mail from Kobe. Japan, says that advices have been received there from Seoul showing that an agreement was signed by Russia and Corea last Wednesday providing that a Russian Major and Captain shail be employed in each Corean battalion "when an emergency necessitates such employment." Russian officers are also to command the Corean

imperial bodyguard. The Standard prints a despatch mailed from St. Petersburg on Friday, stating that there is uneasiness in diplomatic circles there owing to a report that the United States has resolved to send Consuls forthwith to Mukden and An-tung, Manchuria, anticipating the ratification by the Senate of the Chinese-American commerical treaty It is perfectly understood in St. Petersburg that the new treaty is quite as much a political as a commercial compact, and that the United States is unlikely, for obvious reasons, to forego any legitimate advantages it renders American interests in

MARINES LAND IN COREA.

Japanese Put Men Ashore to Stop Rioting at Mokpho. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. SECUL, Dec. 14 .- A strike of Corean coolies in the foreign concession at Mokpho ed to fighting between the Coreans and

Japanese. A Japanese warship landed marines yesterday to suppress the rioting, and it is reported that the marines fired into the mob, killing several men.

It is thought that the affair will cause complications. The Russians may possibly send warships to Mokpho if the Coreans resent the action of the Japanese in

landing marines. DOESN'T THINK WAR WILL COME. Opinion of an Eminent Japanese Civil

Engineer Now Staying Here. M. Otagaua, a Japanese civil engineer who is interested in large mining and agricultural properties in his own country, left Japan on Nov. 17, and is staying at the Albemarle. He said yesterday:

"I think the difficulties between Japan and Russia will be settled soon; because there is great excitement among the people now is no reason why the country should go to war. The more cautious people are by no means ready for war." no means ready for war."
Mr. Otagana also said that he didn't believe the results of a war with Russia would justify the cost of such a conflict. While in this country he will visit a number of universities, study irrigation and place five young Japanese in an American college.

SPENCER'S BODY CREMATED. No Religious Service at the English

Philosopher's Funeral. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN LONDON, Dec. 14.-The body of Herbert Spencer was cremated to-day and the ashes were interred in the Highgate Cemetery. There was no religious service. An eulogistic address was delivered in the cemetery chapel by the Right Hon.

John Morley, whose absence in Sicily prevented him from complying with Mr. Spencer's wish that he preside at the interment. A number of literary and scientific men attended the funeral. At the close of the service Krishna Marva, an East Indian, acknowledged the indebt-

edgess of the educated people of Hindoostan to Mr. Spencer. He offered £1.000 to establish a Spencer lectureship at Oxford University. BRITISH ADVANCE ON TIBET. Lama Returns Viceroy Curzon's Letters

Without Answers. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Dec. 14.—Despatches have been received here showing that Col. Younghusband, the British commissioner to Tibet, and Col. Macdonald of the Royal Engineers, who commands the military forces to be employed in the Tibetan expedition, have left Darjeeling for the Chumbi Valley, whither the troops are now moving from their various stations.
Letters which Lord Curzon, Viceroy of India, sent to the Dalai Lama, the High Priest of the Tibetans, at Lhassa, have been

returned to him with no answers. HOTTENTOTS REPULSE GERMANS The Uprising in East Africa Has Not Been

Quelled. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. CAPE TOWN, Dec. 14.-The Germans in German East Africa have not yet succeeded in putting down the Hottentot rising in their territory. An official telegram from the Hartebeest River states that the Hottentots have repulsed a German patrol, wounding two of them. Heavy fighting is expected.

Yale Professor's Mishap. NEW HAVEN, Dec. 14.-Prof. William H. Carmalt, the leading surgeon of the Yale Medical School, while trying to save his hat from being blown off on the rear platform of a trolley car to-day, lost his balance and fell from the car, striking on his forehead. A deep gash was made in his head.

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were good men.

"This is a very serious situation," said Capt. Handy. "I have a list of the men who have been discharged from these buildings and I will look them all up. We are making some headway, but it is a hard thing to run down."

Supt. Milward said that he had made a personal complaint to Inspector McClusky, and that the inspector had told him that he had three of his best men working on the case. Commissioner Greene announced

he had three of his best men working on the case. Commissioner Greene announced last night that he would do everything possible to run down the men responsible for the explosions and to prevent more. There were plenty of signs yesterday that the Parks gang was "down and out," like its old leader. Some of the remnants held a meeting in Maennerchor Hall yester-day afternoon. Chairman Crayley of the

when asked what action the employers' When asked what action the employers'

Prince, said:
"We are supplying private detectives

Committee Chairman. President Roosevelt, eminent Republicans said yesterday, has about given up the idea that Senator Hanna will accept reelection as chairman of the Republican national committee. Senator Hanna's successor is to be elected immediately after the national convention adjourns. The convention is called to assemble in Chicago

he is to be nominated by the convention.

President was an Assemblyman. Secretary Root's friends said last night that he was to resume the practise of his profession upon giving up his portfolio, and their opinion was that under no cir-

Promotion Regarded as Merited, Both in and Out of the Department. Police Commissioner Greene appointed

list for some time, and he has been three times on the list for a captaincy.

Daly is 46 years old and unmarried. He came to the city from Hogansburg, Franklin county, and became a policeman in 1886. He was made a roundsman in 1891,

He Fled to This Country After Killing the Man Who Insulted His Stster.

Several years ago Paul Ulrich fled from Germany after a quarrel with swords, in which he killed a man who had spoken slight-

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 .- Four witnesses were before the Senate Committee on Military Affairs to-day in the matter of the charges against Gen. Leonard Wood. They were Dr. C. E. Fisher of Chicago, Major-Gen. John R. Brooke, retired, and L. J. Morrison of New York. The testimony of Messrs. Fisher and La Fontisse dealt with Gen. Wood's intercourse with the former convict Bellairs and was of a sensational nature. Gen. Brooke was recalled merely to submit records bearing

was also conveyed to Gen. Wood. Gen was also conveyed to Gen. Wood. Gen. Wood, however, paid no attention to the revelations, and went to New York in July, 1900, with Bellairs, where they saw Assistant General Manager Diehl of the Associated Press. Gen. Wood interceded for Bellairs, according to the testimony offered the other day by Col. Diehl, and Bellairs was sent to China to act for the association.

Dr. Fisher testified concerning his knowledge in 1900 of Bellairs's criminal

anxious to print an article exposing Bellairs, but was dissuaded from doing so by Gen. Wood. Fisher told of a trip he made with Gen. Wood in the despatch boat Viking from Cuba to the Isle of Pines on Sept. 9, 1900.

They talked of Bellairs, and Fisher told Gen. Wood of evidence that had been dispensed they in the Bellairs. covered showing conclusively that Bel-lairs had served five years of a seven year sentence in Florida and that later he had been charged with the commission of in-famous crimes, both at Santiage and at Ha-vana. Fisher gave Gen. Wood the names of

assistant, La Fontisse, to gather the Interial for an article exposing Bellars and to print it in the Post.

Upon Fisher's return to Havana from the trip with Gen. Wood, he hurried to the office of the Post and asked La Fontisse:
"You haven't printed that story about Bellairs, have you?" La Fontisse replied that he had not. "Well, for God's sake, don't do it" said Fisher. "Gen. Wood

advised to send a receipt for the amount with vouchers to Gen. Wood, and that the sum would be forwarded. The receipts were sent, but no money came. Soon afterward Gen. Wood furned affairs over to the Cuban Government and left the island.
It was said that a fund of \$100,000 had been

the War Department without avail to discover a remedy for his clients.

Senator Hanna, who is a constant attendant at the Wood hearings, requested

Gen. Wood. He says:

On each occasion I testified most positively under oath that neither directly nor indirectly, verbally nor in writing, personally from him nor through any subordinate, not from any person whatsoever, had I received even an intimation as to the remission of duties upon these articles; that I ordered the remission of duty because I believed then, and believe now, that it was in accordance with the law; that if any mistake was made I was solely responsible for it, and that if duties are still due to the island of Cuba on these articles the War Department should reopen my accounts and charge these duties to me.

o me.

Secretary Root is to be a witness this week before the committee. Orders were issued to-day at the War Department for the preparation of a mass of data in regard to the rank of officers before and after the Spanish-American War, which Secretary Root will present to the committee. These data will include a list of all the officers of the army of the rank of Major before the war with Spain, a list of the Majors in the army within a year after the war

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.-Nine convicts, ed by Harry Siften, who is chief of the Battle of Waterloo" gang, an organizaion of thugs, escaped from the House of Correction this morning. All the men

A hue and cry was at once raised.

had been filled up each day with soap and sentries.

The complaint says the union was formed the mining company and its men had been of legislation held the committee in session

but demands an injunction restraining the

This is the mine from which a dozen Chinese were driven out, and the case has been submitted to Washington. SUMMER RESORT FOR TAMMANY.

the party said, the place is to be made a second Saratoga.

The hall will become the Mecca for the men above mentioned, as well as for other Tammanyites, several of whom are said to be interested in the scheme, together with several members of Congress. The hall is located in the town which contains the homested of the late Sanuel I. Tilden

They Proved Their Ability to Stand the Long Voyage to Manila. WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 .- The first torpedo

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